



MORTON COLLEGE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO.527
Minutes for the Decennial Committee Meeting
Wednesday, September 24, 2025

Approved

1. Call to Order

The Decennial Committee meeting was called to order by Board Chair Leonard Cannata at 10:32 AM on Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at the Centennial Room, located at 3801 S. Central Ave., Cicero, IL 60804.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Present:

Leonard Cannata, Trustee
Jose Collazo, Trustee
Susan Grazzini, Trustee
Charles Hernandez, Trustee
Anthony Martinucci, Trustee
Michele Mohr, Community Member
Oscar Montiel, Trustee
Frances F. Reitz, Trustee

Absent:

Edgar Montiel, Community Member

Also Present:

Dr. Keith D. McLaughlin, President

4. Approval of Minutes of the Decennial Committee Meeting held on August 27, 2025.

Trustee Reitz made a motion to approve the minutes of the Decennial Committee Meeting held on August 27, 2025.

Trustee Grazzini seconded the motion.

Ayes: Trustees, Cannata, Collazo, Grazzini, Hernandez, Martinucci, Mohr, Montiel, and Reitz

Nays: None

Absent: E. Montiel

Motion Carried

5. Discussion of Proposed Recommendations for Areas of Efficiency.

Michele Mohr presented findings on two areas: shared services and intergovernmental agreements (IGAs).

- **Shared Services:**

- Dual credit and dual enrollment programs currently lack a single point of contact.
- Recommendation: Hire or appoint a full-time Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment Coordinator at Morton College.
- Dr. McLaughlin noted that Morton College is already pursuing this hire with anticipated state funding.
- Current Memorandum of Agreement (MOU) with high schools has not been updated since 2011. Recommendation: Update and review MOUs every five years.
- Discussion included coordination with the high schools and the possibility of students graduating with both a high school diploma and an associate degree.

- **Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs):**

- Reviewed Morton College Dispatch Services Agreement (2023) and Berwyn Park District–Morton College shared use of facilities agreement (2018).
- Recommendation: Review and update IGAs every five years.

The Committee agreed to work with legal counsel on updating MOUs and IGAs, and to consolidate all agreements into one location for accessibility.

Trustee Discussion

Trustee Hernandez raised concerns about flooding at the Morton College baseball field. Questions arose regarding jurisdiction and responsibility, as the property is leased and likely owned by the Park District. The matter will be reviewed through the lease agreement and MOUs.

Trustees discussed the importance of clear agreements regarding property use and maintenance responsibilities.

Next Steps

Prepare a written report with the findings and recommendations.

The Committee has scheduled one final meeting in November to approve the report.

Further discussions will be held with high schools regarding appointing a point person for dual credit coordination, potentially through a jointly funded arrangement.

6. Resident Survey

None

7. Adjournment

Trustee Martinucci made a motion to adjourn the Decennial Committee meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Trustee Collazo seconded the motion.

Ayes: Trustees, Cannata, Collazo, Grazzini, Hernandez, Martinucci, Mohr, Montiel, and Reitz

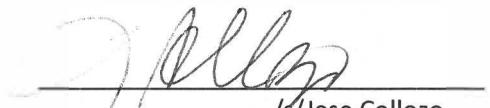
Nays: None

Absent: E. Montiel

Motion Carried



/s/ Anthony Martinucci,
Vice Chair



/s/ Jose Collozo
Secretary